# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## FISCAL NOTE

## SB 727 - HB 912

March 16, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Commissioner of the Department of Commerce and Insurance to promulgate rules to develop a standardized employee application form for small employers to submit when applying for a group health benefit plan. Requires the Commissioner to develop and implement the standardized employee application by January 1, 2010.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

### Increase State Expenditures - \$5,000/One-Time

## Assumptions:

- One-time increase in state expenditures is estimated to be \$5,000 for the promulgation of rules, research of other states' practices, and the development and implementation of the new application form in consultation with health care providers.
- No specifics regarding regulation and monitoring.
- Any cost for the regulation of the developed application will not result in a significant increase in expenditures and can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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